

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
Engineering Division  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Board of Land and Natural Resources  
State of Hawaii  
Honolulu, Hawaii

**Permission to Hire a Consultant for a Land Survey at Pu'u O'o, Hawaii**

The Engineering Division desires to engage a consultant to survey a section of land called Pu'u O'o which is situated at Piihonua, South Hilo, Hawaii, (TMK: (3) 2-6-18:1). The Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW) is in the process of acquiring a section of Pu'u O'o from the Land Division and adding it to the forest reserve. Currently Pu'u O'o which consists of 5,995 acres is leased for cattle ranching. Approximately 1,500 acres will be withdrawn from the lease and added to the forest reserve. The land addition to the forest reserve will benefit the public and native wildlife. The land will provide public access for hunting, bird watching, recreational camping and habitat for the endangered Nene. Identifying the actual boundary of this land is important to separate leased land from forest reserve.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Land and Natural Resources authorize the hiring of a consultant to survey a section of land called Pu'u O'o and authorize the Chairperson to sign the necessary documents pertaining to this survey, as described above.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



LAURA H. THIELEN, Chairperson

**ITEM L-2**